

FORM PTO-1390 (Modified)  
(REV. 11-2000)

U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

ATTORNEY'S DOCKET NUMBER

## TRANSMITTAL LETTER TO THE UNITED STATES

TPP 31446A

DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)

U.S. APPLICATION NO. (IF KNOWN, SEE 37 CFR

CONCERNING A FILING UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371

10/509834

INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO.

INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE

PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED

PCT/US03/08114

17 March 2003

01 April 2002

TITLE OF INVENTION

FLEXIBLE CONTAINMENT CHARGING DEVICE

APPLICANT(S) FOR DO/EO/US

MANLOVE, Lance Fuller

Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:

1. ☒ This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
2. ☐ This is a **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. 371.
3. ☒ This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (24) indicated below.
4. ☒ The US has been elected by the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (Article 31).
5. ☒ A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c) (2))
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ has been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☒ is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. ☐ An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
  - a. ☐ is attached hereto.
  - b. ☐ has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
- ☒ Amendments to the claims of the International Application under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(3))
  - a. ☐ are attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
  - b. ☐ have been communicated by the International Bureau.
  - c. ☐ have not been made; however, the time limit for making such amendments has NOT expired.
  - d. ☒ have not been made and will not be made.
8. ☐ An English language translation of the amendments to the claims under PCT Article 19 (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(3)).
9. ☐ An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(4)).
10. ☐ An English language translation of the annexes to the International Preliminary Examination Report under PCT Article 36 (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(5)).
11. ☐ A copy of the International Preliminary Examination Report (PCT/IPEA/409).
12. ☒ A copy of the International Search Report (PCT/ISA/210).

## Items 13 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:

13. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
14. ☐ An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
15. ☐ A **FIRST** preliminary amendment.
16. ☐ A **SECOND** or **SUBSEQUENT** preliminary amendment.
17. ☐ A substitute specification.
18. ☐ A change of power of attorney and/or address letter.
19. ☐ A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 35 U.S.C. 1.821 - 1.825.
20. ☐ A second copy of the published international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
21. ☐ A second copy of the English language translation of the international application under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
22. ☐ Express Mail Label No.
23. ☒ Other items or information:
 

a. PCT/RO/101	e. PCT/IB/301	i. PCT/RO/146	m. Copy of international application as published
b. PCT/DO/EO/901(a)	f. PCT/ISA/220	j. PCT/RO/105	(WO 03/084831 A1)
c. PCT/RO/106	g. PCT/ISA/202	k. PCT/IB/304	n. Confirmation Claim for Priority
d. PCT/RO/102	h. PCT/RO/146	l. PCT/IB/308	

Page 2 of 2

10/509834  
DT04 PCT/PTO 30 SEP 2004

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Lance Fuller MANLOVE

Attn: Applications

Serial No.: To be assigned - New U.S. National Stage Application of  
International Application PCT/US03/08114

Filed: September 30, 2004

For: FLEXIBLE CONTAINMENT CHARGING DEVICE

**CONFIRMATION CLAIM FOR PRIORITY**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Sir:

The benefit of the filing date of the following domestic priority, U.S. application and priority provided in 35 USC §119 have been claimed for the above-identified application:

United States Provisional Patent Application No. 60/368,537, filed April 1, 2002.

A copy of the priority document was filed in the International Stage (PCT).

It is requested that the file of this application be marked to indicate that the requirements of 35 USC §119 have been fulfilled and that the Patent and Trademark Office kindly acknowledge receipt of these papers.

Respectfully submitted,



Thomas P. Pavelko  
Registration No. 31,689

TPP:mat  
Attorney Docket No.: TPP 31446A

STEVENS, DAVIS, MILLER & MOSHER, L.L.P.  
1615 L Street, N.W., Suite 850  
Washington, D.C. 20036  
Telephone: (202) 785-0100  
Facsimile: (202) 408-5200 or (202) 408-5088  
Date: September 30, 2004